# 2014

# HILLIARD DIVISION OF POLICE ANNUAL REPORT



**Donald J. Schonhardt**Mayor/Director of Public Safety

J. Douglas Francis, CLEE

**Chief of Police** 

### **HILLIARD DIVISION OF POLICE**

#### ★ ★ ★ MISSION ★ ★ ★

We, the employees of the Hilliard Division of Police, are committed to serve the Hilliard Community to enhance the quality of life by working cooperatively with the public to prevent crime, preserve peace, enforce the law with respect to the constitutional rights of all citizens, reduce fear and provide a safe community environment. The mission is based on a foundation of integrity, commitment, cooperation and professionalism.

#### ★ ★ ★ CORE VALUES ★ ★ ★

**INTEGRITY** – We dedicate ourselves to serve without bias or prejudice and hold ourselves accountable to the highest professional and ethical standards.

**COMMITMENT** – We dedicate ourselves to excellence and unity for the purpose of improving the quality of life in our community.

**COOPERATION** – We dedicate ourselves to developing a partnership with our community by working together in a spirit of trust and mutual respect.

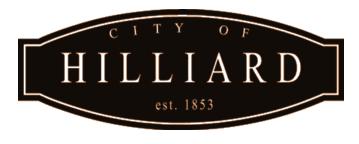
**PROFESSIONALISM** – We dedicate ourselves to develop high quality, efficient and courteous service through innovative techniques, strategic plans and team work.

All the members of the Division of Police accept responsibility for their part in supporting the Mission and Core Values and are committed to giving the maximum effort in creating an environment in which all can be proud.

On the Cover – HPD Chief J. Douglas Francis and NTFD Chief Jeff Warren lead the agencies' respective Honor Guard units to the dedication of a Reflection Garden constructed in front of the Joint Safety Services Building. The small park and pool honors those killed during the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001.

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# To the Citizens of the City of Hilliard Chief's Message

I am pleased to present the 2014 Annual Report for the Hilliard Division of Police. As you can tell from my photo, I like to have a bit of fun on occasion. Police work can be extremely serious and sometimes I intentionally liven the mood; it sends a message to our officers that I am confident in our abilities to provide outstanding service to our citizens. That confidence begins with the knowledge that we are hiring and promoting the very best. Since I became chief just a few years ago, I have hired a deputy chief, promoted both lieutenants, promoted four of our six sergeants, hired 16 officers, and hired a clerk supervisor and five clerks. I guess you could say I have put my stamp on this department. Our agency now has more women and minorities than ever; it is important that our department reflect our community. But make no mistake, we have our pick among applicants and we choose the best and the brightest.



Promoted to the rank of sergeant just this year were Sgt. Suzanne Muraco and Sgt. Doug Lightfoot. Suzy becomes the first female supervisor in the history of our agency and Doug becomes our first supervisor to also have a canine.

2014 was groundbreaking as we consolidated our communications operations with Dublin to form the Northwest Regional Emergency Communications Center. Already a success, this move will save the city money and allow us to concentrate on what we do best – respond to and investigate crimes and solve problems.

We made good use of social media becoming a central Ohio leader in the use of Twitter and Facebook. We use these services to seek the public's help locating missing persons, to identify lawbreakers caught on surveillance video, and to disseminate information such as road closures. You won't find a more transparent government agency; I actually Tweet updates live from the scenes of police calls!

The information that follows details our efforts to be the best police agency in the state of Ohio. Along with crime and crash statistics, please take note of the interactions we have every day with the people of our community. We are in this together, and we are making a difference together. Today, more than ever, I am honored to serve as the leader of your police department and proud to report that we continue to make progress in fighting crime and solving problems. I thank you for a wonderful year and promise that 2015 will be even better!

Best Wishes.

J. Douglas Francis, CLEE

Chief of Police

# **Chief's Photo Ops**















## **Command Staff**



#### **Deputy Chief Robert Fisher, CLEE**

Deputy Chief Fisher is a 24-year veteran of police work, having served in two other agencies before joining the Hilliard Division of Police as Deputy Chief in 2012. Chief Fisher serves as Acting Chief in the absence of Chief Francis, coordinates Bureau activities and internal investigations, and personally heads up the Training Unit.



#### Lt. David Plesich, CLEE

Lt. Plesich is a 27-year veteran of the Hilliard Division of Police. David began as a patrol officer in 1987, was promoted to sergeant in 1995, and to the rank of lieutenant in 2012. He leads the Bureau of Investigation, the agency's investigative arm encompassing the Criminal Investigations Unit, the Special Investigations Unit and the Property Room.



#### Lt. Ronald Clark, CLEE

Lt. Clark is a 20-year veteran of the Hilliard Division of Police. Ron began as an Auxiliary Officer in 1991 and was hired on full-time in 1994. He was promoted to sergeant in 2002 and lieutenant in 2013. Ron is in charge of Field Operations, the larger and more visible of the agency's bureaus, encompassing patrol, school resource, and bike officers.

## **General Information**

#### Service Area - Hilliard Division of Police

City of Hilliard Population (2013): 31,012 Norwich Township (Unincorporated 2011): 3,982

**Total Population Served: 34,994** 

Village of Hilliard – Incorporated 1869 City of Hilliard – Incorporated 1960

Division of Police - Established: 1957 **Hilliard Division of Police** *Chief J. Douglas Francis* 

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# **General Financial Information**

2014 Operating Budget	
2014 Operating Budget	2015 Operating Budget
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Wages & Benefits	Materials, Supplies & Training\$217,500
Materials, Supplies & Training\$186,000	Contracts\$905,900
Contracts\$169,000	Travel & Petty Cash\$6,300
Travel & Petty Cash\$6,300	Total - \$9,160,774
Total - \$8,283,282	10tai - \$5,100,774
2014 Capital Budget	2015 Capital Budget
Vehicles\$262,000	Vehicles\$265,000
Safety Vests\$14,000	Safety Vests\$13,200
Weapons\$1,500	Weapons\$39,000
Safety Equipment\$26,500	Safety Equipment\$31,000
Speed Measuring Devices\$12,000	Speed Measuring Devices\$9,400
Building/Facility Improvements\$20,000	Building/Facility Improvements\$250,000
Total - \$336,000	Total - \$607,600
Grant/Other Monies Received - 2014 OPOTA Tuition Reimbursement\$2,800 Total - \$2,800	Contract Fees Collected – 2014 Hilliard City Schools (SRO Program)\$269,033 Norwich Twp. (Police Services)\$400,659 Total - \$669,692
Donations from Public - 2014  Community Relations\$436  General Donations to HPD\$1,809  Total - \$2,245	Other Revenues Collected – 2014 Cruiser Rental Fees\$3,952 Surplus Equipment Sales\$150 Property & Evidence Sales\$197 Alarm Permit Fees\$19,550 Total - \$23,849

#### **Total Outside Funds Collected in 2014 = \$698,586**

The dollar amounts represented here are rounded to the nearest dollar. These dollar figures are maintained by the Division of Police and are not "official." The Department of Finance maintains the actual audited accounts and balances.

# **Personnel Information**

#### Personnel Staffing (as of January 1, 2015)

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•	Authorized Full-Time Sworn	55
•	Current Full-Time Sworn	53
•	Authorized Full-Time Support Staff	17
•	Current Full-Time Support Staff	15

Personnel Summary	End of 2012	End of 2013	End of 2014
Chief of Police	1	1	1
Deputy Chief of Police	1	1	1
Secretary	1	1	1
Field Ops Bureau			
Lieutenant	1	1	1
Sergeants	4	3	5
Patrol Officers	28	28	29
Canine Officers	3	2	2
School Resource	3	3	3
Officers in Academy	0	0	3
Bureau of Investigation			
Lieutenant	1	1	1
Sergeant	2	2	1
Criminal Investigations			
Detectives	3	3	3
Detective Clerk	1	1	1
Evidence Clerk	1	1	1
Record Clerks	2	2	0
Comm. Techs	10	7	0
Training Officers	1	1	0
Comm. Services	1	2	2
Special Investigations			
Court Liaison	1	1	1
Detectives	0	2	2
Canine Officers	0	1	0
Support Services			
Supervisor			1
Clerks			5
	65	64	64









## **Personnel**

#### **RETIREMENT**



With the radio room consolidation project completed early in the year, we said goodbye to many of our Shown at left are dispatchers. technicians, several of our



present and past, at a farewell party.

Coinciding with the consolidation, two of our dispatchers retired. Tech. Missy Roach was our senior technician and Tech. Wanda Rice served as a training tech on second shift.



We also lost to retirement clerk Vicki Cunningham who was our Computer Aided Dispatch specialist.

Rounding out the retirements were the final

shifts of Property Room Clerk Pam Cunningham and Det. Sgt. David Cunningham. David was instrumental in setting up the Special Investigations Unit.



#### **PROMOTIONS**



Suzanne Muraco and J. Douglas Lightfoot were promoted to the rank of sergeant. Both new sergeants were assigned to patrol supervision slots.

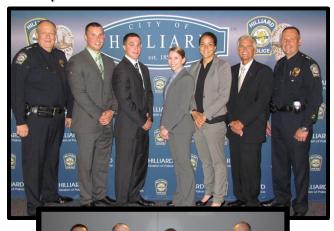


### **Personnel**

#### **NEW HIRES**

At right, Deputy Chief Fisher and Chief Francis attend the academy graduation of Officers Dustin Kaiser and Trevor Gill. These new officers finished their Field Training programs early in 2014 and now patrol the streets as our "rookies."





Chief Francis, Mayor Schonhardt and Deputy Chief Bobby Fisher welcome aboard new Officers Hunter Schweichart, Dustin Gigandet, Caitlin Emmerich and Vanessa Spears. Having spent much of 2014 at the CPD Academy, these new cops hit the streets in December.

Hired in December, new cops Randall Pugh, Seth McDowell, and Kristen Winter enjoy some "welcome cake" before heading off to the Academy.

A major organizational change occurred when HPD hired



Natalie Riley (shown right) as a civilian supervisor in charge of clerks, who now work 24/7, 365 days a year. One of our newest clerks, Kristin Buelow-Lambdin (in



blue at left), joined us after serving as one of our interns.

Filling the void when Pam Cunningham retired, Todd Harper returned to HPD to serve as our Property Room Clerk. Todd had worked for the City and, prior to that, was one of our dispatchers.



# Awards and Recognition 2014 Bureau Employees of the Year







**Investigations: Curtis Baker** 



**Support: Pattie Morris** 

#### **Faithful Service Awards**

10 Years	15 Years	20 Years	25 Years	30 Years
Ofc. Kyle Bright	Ofc. Andy Anderson	Lt. Ron Clark		Ofc. Hyda Slone
Sgt. Doug Lightfoot	Sgt. Curtis Baker	Det. Deb Mullin		
	Linda Haynes			
	Ofc. Sean Johnson			



Mayor's Award Special Inves. Unit



**Mayor Don Schonhardt** 



Community Service Ofc. Brandon Long

Achievement Citation: Doug Lightfoot, Joshua Cohill, Marcus Blevins, Shane O'Connor, Deborah Mullin, Robert Seum, Sean Johnson, Curtis Baker, David Plesich, Bob White, Chad Wood, Doug Francis,

**Commendation Citation:** Bob White, Dustin Vance, Jared Zellers, Justin Cramer

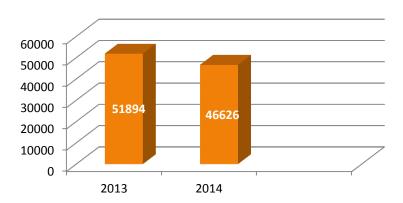
**Distinguished Service Citation: Robert Seum, Joshua Barnett** 

Life Saving Citation: Justin Cramer, Jared Zellers, Trevor Gill, Austin Vogelsang

## **Calls for Service Summary**

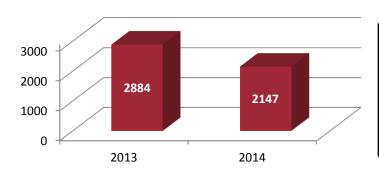
2014 Calls for Service	50,934
City of Hilliard	46,626
Norwich Township	2,147
Other Jurisdictions	2.161

#### **City of Hilliard - Total CFS**





#### **Norwich Township - Total CFS**

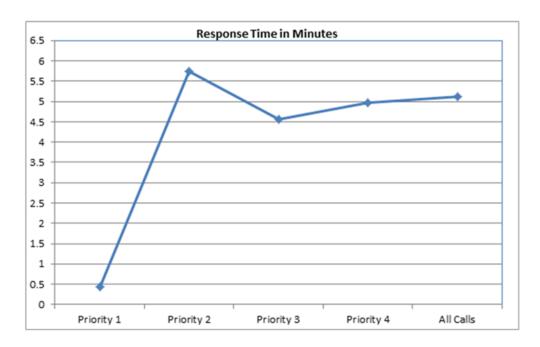




\*Are Calls for Service actually decreasing? Unfortunately, no. As part of our transition to using NWRECC for dispatch services, we calculate CFS numbers differently. Previously, case follow-ups received a new CFS number; now, each and every follow-up does not; it is simply added to the original CFS.

\*\*Primary Jurisdictions shown on graphs

## **Response Time Summary**



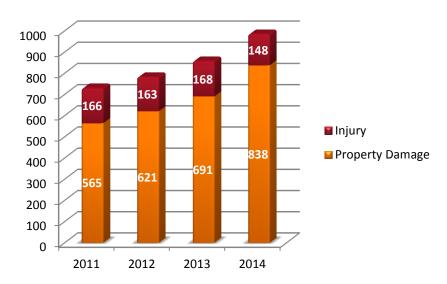
The Division of Police categorizes calls for service into four levels of response. Each level of response is prioritized based on the urgency of the call for service requested. Life threatening situations are considered a Priority 1 response and warrant the most expedient response. Priority 2 responses are reserved for serious threats of physical harm, crimes in progress and auto accidents. Priority 3 and 4 calls are considered routine and usually consist of criminal report requests, animal complaints and traffic complaints.

In 2014 officers averaged a less-than-one-minute response time to Priority 1 calls and an overall average response time for all calls for service of just over five minutes.

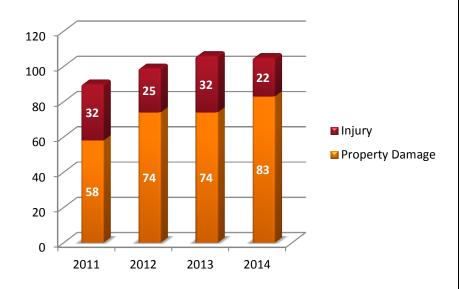
Average Response Time				
(All Calls for Service)				
2014	5.11 minutes			

# **Traffic Crash Summary**

#### City of Hilliard



#### **Norwich Township**



In 2014, the Division of Police investigated 1091 crashes. Overall, the number of crashes increased 13% from the previous year; however, the number of injury crashes decreased.

#### **2014 Traffic Crash Stats**

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**Fatality Crashes** 

#### **Top Accident Locations**

64 Crashes Cemetery Rd. & Main St.

50 Crashes
Main St. & Scioto-Darby Rd.

46 Crashes
On Cemetery Rd. at IR-270

46 Crashes
On IR-270 N/B at Cemetery Rd.

32 Crashes
On IR-270 S/B at Cemetery Rd.

31 Crashes

Davidson Rd. at Britton Pkwy.

30 Crashes Cemetery Rd. at Leap Rd.

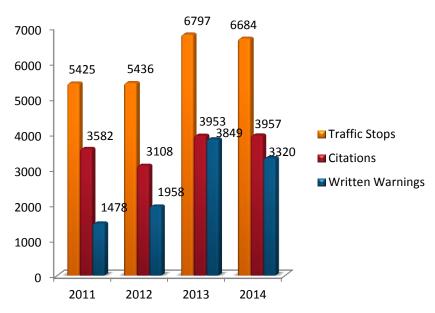
28 Crashes
On IR-270 S/B near Davidson
Road underpass.

#### On an Average Day

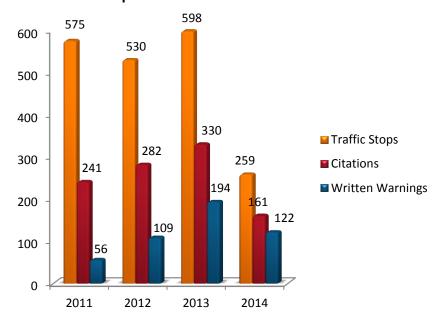
2.98 Traffic Crashes

# **Traffic Enforcement Summary**

#### **City of Hilliard**



#### **Norwich Township**



- \*Primary Jurisdictions shown on graphs
- \*\*Traffic stops made in other jurisdictions are no longer graphed (previous statistical analysis included such stops in the closest geopolitical area)

#### 2014 Stats at a Glance

6943

**Traffic Stops** 

4118

Citations Issued

3442

Written Warnings

123

**Drunk Drivers Arrested** 

#### On an Average Day

19

**Traffic Stops** 

11

Citations Issued

9

Written Warnings



# **Crime Report Summary**

Offense	Total	Offense	
Abandoned/junk vehicle	8	Miscellaneous Incident	22
Aid/Transport	67	Missing Adult	6
Alarm Complaint	34	Missing Juvenile	26
Animal Complaint	12	Misuse of Credit Card	7
Arson	5	Narcotics Complaint	201
Assault (Aggravated)(or on PO)	3	Natural Death	35
Assault	45	Obstructing Official Business	23
Auto Theft	17	Out of Jurisdiction Warrant	167
Breaking and Entering	36	Overdose	20
Burglary	59	OVI	125
Check Complaint	6	Possession of Criminal Tools	3
Child Abuse	3	Public Indecency	2
Consent Search	7	Rape	7
Contempt of Court	15	Recovered Auto – Other Juris.	13
Criminal Damaging	86	Resisting Arrest	8
Criminal Mischief	7	Robbery	8
Curfew	1	Receiving Stolen Property	20
Dissem. Matter Harm to Juvs	2	Sex Offense	11
Disorderly Conduct	21	Soliciting adult	2
Disrupting Public Services	1	Stalking	1
Domestic Violence	69	Suicide	2
Falsification	6	Suicide Attempt	10
Fleeing	4	Telecom. Harassment	40
Forgery	10	Theft	371
Found Property	134	Theft from Auto	187
Fraud Complaint	102	Trespassing	14
Impersonating a Police Officer	1	Unauthorized Use of MV	9
Inciting Violence	1	Unauthorized Use of Property	1
Juvenile Complaint	14	Undetermined Death	7
Liquor Violation – Adult	16	Vandalism	15
Liquor Violation - Juvenile	4	Weapons Complaint	14
Lost Property	16		
Menacing Threats	22	Total	2214

# Arrest Breakdown (Adults vs. Juvenile)

Offense	Adult	Juv.	Total	Offense	Adult	Juv.	Total
Abandon/Junk veh.	1		1	Misuse of 911	1		1
Aggravated Assault	2	1	3	Murder			
Aggravated Burglary	1		1	Narcotics Possession	97	16	113
Animal Complaint	2		2	No Alarm Permit	8		8
Arson		1	1	Obstructing Business	13		13
Assault	26	9	35	Out of Juris. Warrant	149	2	151
Bad Check	2		2	OVI	122	1	123
Bench Warrant	245		245	Pandering Obscen.	2	4	6
Breaking & Entering		2	2	Physical Control	1		1
Burglary	5		5	Poss. Criminal Tools	4		4
Carrying Con. Weapon	2		2	Poss. of Danger. Ord.	1		1
Complicity	5		5	Poss. Drug Instrum	26		26
Criminal Damaging		1	1	Prostitution			
Criminal Trespass	4		4	Public Indecency	1	1	2
Curfew		5	5 Rape		1	2	3
Disrupting Public Serv.	1		1 Resisting Arrest		3		3
Disorderly Conduct	18	4	4 22 Robbery		1		1
Domestic Violence	9	1	1 10 RSP		28	3	31
Drug Paraphernalia	36	4	4 40 Sex Offense				
Drug Trafficking	2		2 Soliciting		2		2
Driving Under Suspen.	1		1	Stalking	1		1
Embezzlement				Stop after crash	2		2
Fail to Comply	1		1	Tamper w/evid.	1		1
False Alarm	27		27	Theft	50	6	56
False Report	4	1	5	Theft of MV		1	1
Forgery	12		12	Truancy	1	20	21
Fraud				U/Sexual cond w/min.	1		1
Gambling				Unauthorized Use		1	1
Gross Sex. Impos.		2	2	Vandalism		2	2
Inciting Violence	2		2	Violation of TPO	7		7
Juvenile Complaint	1	2	3	Weapons	3	1	4
Liquor Violation-Adult	11		11	Wrongful Influence	2		2
Liquor Violation-Juvi.	2	8	10	Total			1051

## **Accident Investigation Unit**



Lead by Sgt. Randy Bucy, the AI team responds to and investigates serious crashes. This year the team investigated a hit-skip crash that occurred in late 2013 resulting in the indictment of the suspect. Said Sgt. Bucy, "We are grateful that we had no fatal



crashes in 2014. When drivers buckle up, pay attention, and slow down, our roads are safer."

# **Community Outreach Unit**



The Community Outreach Unit is an essential part of the Agency which is responsible for facilitating & coordinating various Community Oriented Policing programs. Lead by Ofc. Hyda Slone, the office works with patrol officers and detectives to provide speakers and instructors for numerous community events.

Community (	Outreach Statistics - 20	)14
Event	Number of Public Appearances	Total Citizens/Students Attending
Block Watch Meetings	7	388
Station Tours	19	334
Public Appearances	24	6,400
Preschool Appearances	3	145
Ride Alongs	35	36
Women's Self Defense Classes	4	84
Classes Hosted	2	57
Canine Appearances	9	505
Bicycle Officer Appearances	3	300
Appearances at Picnics/Parades	5	535
Topic Speakers	34	2289
Citizens Police Academies	1	26
Totals	146	11,099

# Bureau of Investigation Criminal Investigations Unit







	1 <sup>st</sup> Q.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Q.	3 <sup>rd</sup> Q.	4 <sup>th</sup> Q.	Total
Active Cases Assigned	89	82	99	82	352
Cases Classified as Inactive	11	8	8	9	36
Cases Closed	19	14	18	15	66
Cases in Prosecution Status	14	19	29	19	81
Unfounded Cases	1	0	0	0	1
Cases Pending Grand Jury	6	9	8	5	28
Total Current Active Cases assigned (Hilliard)	38	35	36	29	138
Total Current Active Cases assigned (Township)	7	4	4	5	20

	1 <sup>st</sup> Q	2 <sup>nd</sup> Q	3 <sup>rd</sup> Q	4 <sup>th</sup> Q	Total
Total Case Reports Taken	517	600	559	528	2204
Hilliard	485	567	536	489	2077
Norwich Twp.	32	33	23	39	127
Cases Assigned for Follow-Up	113	98	136	113	460
Hilliard -CIU	82	82	99	82	345
Hilliard -SIU	24	12	33	26	95
Norwich TwpCIU	7	4	4	5	20
Norwich TwpSIU	0	0	0	0	0
Percentage of Assigned Cases	21.8%	16.3%	24.3%	21.4%	20.8%
Hilliard	21.8%	18.3%	24.6%	22.1%	21.2%
Norwich Township	21.8%	12.1%	17.4%	12.8%	15.7%

# **Bureau of Investigation**

## **Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force**

Recognizing that protecting our youth is one of our most important priorities, we assign Det. Robert Seum to the ICAC Task Force. Harnessing the resources of multiple agencies, these detectives doggedly pursue predators who aim to target our children.

























#### Franklin County Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force

COMPLAINTS	2014
Complaints/Cyber tips received	58
Complaints/Cyber tips checked	576
INVESTIGATIONS	
On-line chat hours	874
"Knock and talks" conducted	70
Consent to Search	32
Traveler	5
Enticement	29
Obscenity directed towards minors	6
Child prostitution	0
P2P Cases generated	159
Interviews conducted	158
Summaries completed	195
CHILD PORNOGRAPHY	
Manufacture	10
Distribution	86
Possession	47
Child victims identified	165
PROSECUTIONS	
Arrests	75
Case referrals to other agencies	36
COURT ACTIONS	
Subpoena	268
Search Warrants prepared	134
Search Warrants executed	112
FORENSICS	
Forensic Exam hours	2158
Forensic Exams completed	478
Forensic Cases initiated	136
Forensic Cases completed	106
Evidence review hours	525
COMMUNITY OUTREACH	
Group presentations	15
Number of attendees	532

# Bureau of Investigation Special Investigations Unit



Miami Vice? Not quite, but you are seeing guns, drugs and cash. That haul on the right? Over 100 pounds of khat, an illegal stimulant!



Activity	1 <sup>st</sup> Q.	2nd Q.	3rd Q.	4 <sup>th</sup> Q.	Total
Felony Charges	6	4	17	14	41
Misdemeanor Charges	6	2	6	4	18
Warrant Arrests/Counts	5/8	8/21	3/7	8/8	24/44
Traffic Citations	8	16	7	2	35
Warning Citations	5	3	35	4	47
Traffic Stops	14	23	29	10	76
Field Interviews	2	0	0	0	2
Search Warrants	8	4	3	5	20
Consent/PC Searches	22	18	28	14	82
Assist other agency	20	12	5	6	43
Assist CIU	4	3	5	2	14
Assist Patrol	16	33	17	9	75
Intel Reports Prepared	14	4	4	6	28
Narcotics/Paraphernalia	26	7	16	9	58
Seized (days)					
Guns Seized	N/A	N/A	16	1	17
Currency Seized	\$7432	0	\$9,089	\$2,042	\$18,563



At left, local news covers an SIU raid. Below is a shot of the agency's command vehicle, a re-purposed former NTFD Medic.

# **Canine Unit**







Activity		Activity	
Traffic Stops	266	Area search	22
Alarms	120	Article search	0
Back up	218	Building search	15
Disturbance	69	Conflict avoidance	9
Felony in progress	16	Crowd control	2
Weapons complaint	11	Evidence search	0
High-risk car stop	3	Narcotics sniff – area	1
Open door	4	Narcotics sniff - building	21
Prowler	1	Narcotics sniff – vehicle	194
Pursuits (vehicle and foot)	3	Tracking – missing	1
Warrant Service	39	Tracking – suspect	3
Mutual aid	56	Perimeter	11
Missing at risk person	6	DHS	14
Fight	9	K-9 Demonstration	12
Narcotics complaint	26	K-9 Response to resistance	0
K-9 related call	868	K-9 Use reports	269
K-9 related arrest	59	Call-outs	8
K-9 assisted arrest	74		

# 2014 Training



The Division sends, on average, over 40 employees each quarter to outside agency schools for specific subject training. Classes include:

CVSA Training	Dealing with suicidal	Submachine Gun	Recruitment of LE	
Remington 870 Armorer	individuals	Instructor	Officers	
RADAR & LIDAR	Interacting with the	Sexual Assault	Field Training Officer	
operator	Muslim population	Investigation	Program	
Culturally Diverse	Total station training	Testifying in Court	Internet Investigations	
School System training	(A.I.)	Crisis Intervention Team   Patrol Drug Operat		
Testifying in Court	Interview &	Officer	Search/Recovery of	
Crime Scene	Interrogation	Field Training Officer	Abducted Children	
Investigation	Statement analysis	Evidence Room	Attorney General's	
Behavior Intervention	Emerging trends in	Management	Conference	
for SRO's	fraud	Crime Scene	Advanced Public	
Street Drugs:	Death notification	Photography	Records	
Recognition and	Drug ID & Field Testing	Police Liability in Ohio	Crisis Intervention	
Identification	LE & Social Media	Public Records 101	Training (CIT) Officer	
Conducting Background	Evidence technician	Pursuit Termination	Active Shooter	
Investigations	Firearms instructor	Techniques	Workshop	
Traffic Collision	School resource officer	STEP (Supervisor	Grievance Rep Training	
Investigation (Level 1)	conference	Training)	Juvenile Interview &	
Death Investigation	Edges weapons defense	2014 K-9 In-Service	Interrogation	
Commercial Motor		Street Drug Recognition		
Vehicle Inspection		Advanced Drug		
FBI Academy		Investigation		

#### In-service training:

Training Shoot NRECC Responder Tasers High-risk Vehicle Stops
Riot Gear Individual First Aid Kit Firearms Simulator
School Radios Firearms Qualifications OHLEG Security

#### New personnel training:

Academy Field Training Clerk Supervision Testing of Recruits

#### Other:

Radio transition New shotgun sights Juveniles Crimes Law and Social Media School Safety Supervisor's FTO Taser probe removal Heartland Exercise New Canine Prisoner search Mobile Subject Control Women's Self-defense

#### Advanced:

STEP: Supervisor Natalie Riley and Sgt. Suzanne Muraco

CLEE: Sgt. Randy Bucy FBI: Lt. David Plesich

# **Property Room**

Activity	1 <sup>st</sup> Q.	2nd Q.	3rd Q.	4 <sup>th</sup> Q.	Total
Articles	690	502	253	176	1621
Items: Quantity of items impounded within articles	2098	1203	493	401	4196
Drugs	1300	379	77	60	1816
Paraphernalia	242	89	115	72	518
American currency seized	\$7,432	\$129	\$9124	\$2067	\$18,752
Other currency seized			\$7000		\$7000
Items sent to laboratory	79	11	42	8	140
Items returned to owner	29	48	36	29	142
Vehicles processed for salvage	0	10	8	11	29

In addition, the property room collected 89 pounds of drugs during the 2014 National Take Back Initiative and collected \$150.24 for surplus police items and \$197.92 for forfeited items sold at auction.

## **FLEET MANAGEMENT**

Vehicle Inventory (as of December 31, 2014)

	VEHICLES 2013	VEHICLES 2014
Marked Patrol Vehicles	23/396,481 miles driven	23/404,237miles driven
Marked Support Vehicles	4/3979 miles driven	5/4423 miles driven
Unmarked Support/Staff Vehicles	10/53,930 miles driven	11/47,303 miles driven
Totals	37/454,390 miles driven	39/455,963 miles driven

# **Citizen's Police Academy**

Class #6 graduated from our CPA, one of our most successful community-outreach programs. Many of these folks join our CPA Alumni Association and assist officers in the field.





## Women's Self-Defense

Another program in great demand is the Self-Defense class instructed for local women. This class equips our citizens with skills and knowledge so that they may defend themselves against predator attack.

## **Honor Guard**



The HPD Honor Guard is a busy unit. The unit presents the nation's colors at events like our 9/11 Remembrance, our Park dedications, and special events like a Cincinnati Reds baseball game. Commanded by Lt. Ron Clark, the team leads every Hilliard parade, rain or shine. Perfection does not come easy and for every appearance, there are many hours of preparation and practice.

# **Explorer Post #2286**

One of the ways we engage with our community is to have positive relationships with Hilliard youth. Our Explorer program invites young people into our police world, allowing them to experience much of the excitement and work a career in law enforcement may hold.



## **Student Internship Program**



Our interns earn college credit while they learn and work at our agency. This year, Brian Turner (left) and Lorenzo Topacio (right), were granted the opportunity to join us on the front lines. Each presented his respective program-ending project to a panel of supervisors.



# **Safety Town**



Each summer, HPD and Norwich Fire team up to teach our youngest citizens important safety habits, like how to safely cross a street. Our kids also get a week's worth of police and fire fun including the ability to climb on big fire trucks. Chief Francis and NTFD Chief Jeff Warren recognize that the lessons learned as children will carry through and help keep these folks safe for their entire lives.

## **Social Media**

One very visible activity at the agency is our presence on social media. Chief Francis spearheads our efforts to get accurate and detailed information to the public as quickly as possible. Chief Francis personally rides on patrol and Tweets out information as officers respond to calls. Our media





friends have found this to be a benefit to them as well, as we can upload photos and details to our sites which they can use in their reports. Our followers are crime fighters, too, helping to identify suspects caught on video.

As of the end of 2014, over 3,600 people are following us on Facebook, more than 1000 more than our goal! In just one year, we entered 567 posts to our Facebook page and 59 of those were viewed over 25,000 times!

## Halloween

On October 30, the City celebrated what is fast becoming one of our favorite events, Trick or Treat night. At right, Chief Francis and Lt. Ron Clark park, walk and talk with as many folks as they can.



# **Additional Highlights**

## **Police Officer Memorial**

Held on May 15, the City honored police officers who have made the ultimate sacrifice in service of their communities, with an emphasis on officers killed in Ohio.



# 9/11 Memorial



Wreath-laying at a memorial site is a ritual that occurs around the world and is always an important part of the ceremony as it honors those killed. The floral tributes remind us of the beauty and brevity of life and evoke memories of days past. This year, the honor to lay the wreath was bestowed upon Hilliard Police Deputy Chief Robert Fisher and Norwich Township Fire Department Battalion Chief Greg Young. At right, the HPD and NTFD Honor

Guards assist in the dedication of the new Reflection Garden located in front of the Joint Safety Services Building on Northwest Parkway. The Garden surrounds the flag pole salvaged from the World Trade Center following the attack of September 11, 2001. The pole is one of just five that survived the terrorist attack.



# Kick Out Crooks Campaign

Unique to Hilliard, the city kicked off the summer with an informational town meeting describing current law enforcement issues and the agency's plans in response.



### **Service Awards**



At left, Chief Francis and Deputy Chief Fisher present Officers Justin Cramer and Jared Zellers with a Life Saving Award for their actions to save the life of a man at a local business.

At right, Lt. David Plesich congratulates Sgt. Curtis Baker on his win of April's Crime Stoppers award for his actions in bringing a wanted murderer to justice.



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#### HILLIARD'S HOMETOWN HERO



Our own Ofc. Hyda Slone was the winner of the Sunny 95 Hometown Hero Award. Hyda often works behind the scenes but those at HPD know that she is a tremendous part of our success in community and media relations.

## **Special Olympics Torch Run**



Each year, the Division participates in the Torch Run leading runners down Cemetery Road. This year several officers also ran during the leg from the Highway Patrol Academy to the OSU Jesse Owens Stadium.

# **Firefighter Cold Water Challenge**



That's Chief Doug Francis getting drenched by NTFD Firefighters as he participates in the MS Cold Water Challenge that swept the nation during the summer.

## Maria's Message

HPD joined Dominic Tiberi as he attempted to turn tragedy into change with Maria's Message program teaching young drivers the dangers of distracted driving.





# **National Night Out**

Sgt. Curtis Baker takes the NNO program to a different neighborhood every summer. This year, we landed at the Lakewood Subdivision. The turnout was outstanding and many folks dropped in to learn about all things Hilliard Police.

# **Community Roundtable**

Hilliard hosted Department of Homeland Security Secretary Jeh Johnson in September. His visit was one of fact-finding and information sharing. Chief Francis and Deputy Chief Fisher spent the day in meetings with Secretary Johnson, his staff, and numerous local stakeholders.







HPD takes a stand against drunk driving by holding several OVI checkpoints throughout the year. These events take a lot of manpower and we are blessed to have CPA Alumni on hand to assist.

### **Parades**



HPD is honored to participate in several parades throughout the year, including St. Patrick's Day, July 4, and Veterans Day.

